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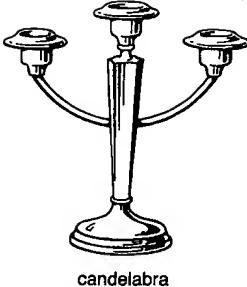
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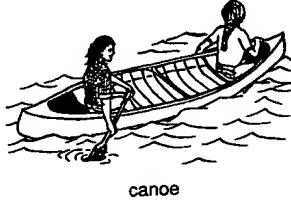


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candidate *'kan-də-də-sē\ n, pl -cies* : the state of being a candidate
candidate *'kan-də-dāt, 'ka-nə-, -dāt\ n* [L *candida* fr. *candidatus* clothed in white, fr. *candidus* ; fr. the white toga worn by office seekers in ancient Rome] : one who seeks or is proposed for an office, honor, or membership
candidate *'kan-də-də-chūr, 'ka-nə-\ n, chiefly CANDIDACY*
can-died *'kan-dēd\ adj* : preserved in or encrusted with sugar
can-dle *'kan-dl\ n* : a usu. slender mass of tallow or wax molded around a wick that is burned to give light
can-dled : can-dling : to examine (as eggs) holding between the eye and a light — **can-dler** *n* : light *'kan-dl-lit\ n* 1 : the light of a candle; any soft artificial light 2 : the time when candles are lit : **TWILIGHT**
can-dle-light *'kan-dl-lit\ adj* : illuminated by candlelight (a ~)
can-dies *'kan-dl-mēs\ n* : February 2 observed church festival in commemoration of the presence of Christ in the temple
can-dy-stick *'kan-dik\ n* : a holder with a socket for a candle
can-dy-wick *'kan-dik-wik\ n* : a soft cotton yarn; also : embroidery made with this yarn usu. in tufts
can-dor *'kan-dor\ n* : FRANKNESS, OUTSPKENNESS
can-chiefly *Brit var of CANDOR*
can-abr country and western
can-dē\ n, pl candies : a confection made sugar often with flavoring and filling
can-died : can-dying : to encrust in sugar or cooking in a syrup
can-ier *'stri-pər\ n* : a teenage volunteer at a hospital
can-kī\ n 1 : a slender hollow or pithy stem (as of a bramble) 2 : a tall woody grass or reed (as cane) 3 : a walking stick; also : a rod for flogging
caned : can-ing 1 : to beat with a cane 2 : to make with cane — **caner** *n*
**can-kī-brāk\ n : a thicket of cane
can-kī-nīn\ 1 : a pointed tooth between the incisor and the first premolar 2 : a canine mammoth (a domestic dog)
can-dī [L *caninus*, fr. *canis* dog] : of or relating to or to the family to which they belong
can-ster *'ka-nə-stər\ n* 1 : an often cylindrical con-**

— **can-kēr** *n* : a spreading sore that eats into — **can-kerous** *'kə-rəs\ adj*
can-worm *'wərm\ n* : either of two moths and their larvae that are pests of fruit and shade trees
can-nō\ n : any of a genus of tropical herbs with eaves and racemes of bright-colored flowers
can-nō-bas *n* : any of the psychoactive substances (as marijuana) or chemicals (as THC) d from hemp; also : **HEMP**

canned *'kand\ adj* : prepared in standardized form for general use or wide distribution
cannery *'ka-nə-rē\ n, pl -nēries* : a factory for the canning of foods
can-nibal *'ka-nə-bəl\ n* [NL *Canibalis* a member of a Caribbean Indian people, fr. Sp *Canibal*] : one that eats the flesh of its own kind — **can-ni-balism** *'ba-lizm\ n* — **can-ni-balistic** *'ba-lis-tik\ adj*
can-ni-bal-ise *Brit var of CANNIBALIZE*
can-ni-bal-ize *'ka-nə-bə-liz\ vb -ized; -izing* 1 : to take usable parts from (as an inoperative machine) to construct or repair another machine 2 : to practice cannibalism
can-on *'ka-nən\ n, pl cannons or cannon* [MF *canon*, fr. It *cannone*, lit., large tube, fr. *canna* reed, tube, fr. L. *cane*, reed] : a large heavy gun; *esp* : one mounted on a carriage
can-non-ade *'ka-nə-nād\ n* : a heavy fire of artillery — **can-nonade** *vb*
can-non-ball *'ka-nən-bəl\ n* : a usu. round solid missile for a cannon
can-non-eer *'ka-nə-nēr\ n* : an artillery gunner
can-not *'ka-nət, 'ka-nāt* : can not — **cannot** : to be unable to do otherwise than — **can-nu-lā** *'kan-yə-lə\ n, pl -las or -lae\ -lē* : a small tube for insertion into a body cavity or into a duct or vessel
can-ny *'ka-nē\ adj* **can-ni-er** *-er* **-est** : PRUDENT, SHREWD — **can-ni-ly** *'kan-ē-lē\ adv* — **can-ni-ness** *'ka-nē-nēs\ n*
can-oe *'ka-nō\ n* : a light narrow boat with sharp ends and curved sides that is usu. propelled by paddles — **canoe** *vb* — **canoe-ist** *n*



can-o-la *'ka-nō-lə\ n* : a rape plant producing seeds that are low in a toxic acid and yield an edible oil (canola oil) high in monounsaturated fatty acids; also : this oil
can-on *'ka-nən\ n* 1 : a regulation decreed by a church council; also : a provision of canon law 2 : an official or authoritative list (as of the saints or the books of the Bible) 3 : an accepted principle (the ~s of good taste)
can-on *n* : a clergyman on the staff of a cathedral
can-on-i-cal *'ka-nō-ni-kəl\ adj* 1 : of, relating to, or forming a canon 2 : conforming to a general rule or acceptable procedure : ORTHODOX 3 : of or relating to a clergyman who is a canon — **can-on-i-cally** *'kə-nō-ni-kəlē\ adv*
can-on-i-ze *'ka-nə-nīz\ vb* **can-on-i-zed** *'nīzd* ; **can-on-i-zing** 1 : to declare (a deceased person) an officially recognized saint 2 : GLORIFY, EXALT — **can-on-i-za-tion** *'ka-nə-nē-'zā-shən\ n*
can-on law *n* : the law governing a church
can-o-py *'ka-nə-pē\ n, pl -pies* [ME *canope*, fr. ML *canopēum* mosquito net, fr. L. *conopeum*, fr. Gk *kōnōpion*, fr. *kōnōpē* mosquito] 1 : an overhanging cover, shelter, or shade 2 : a transparent cover for an airplane cockpit 3 : the fabric part of a parachute — **canopy** *vb*
can-t *'kan\ vb* : to give a slant to
can-t *n* 1 : an oblique or slanting surface 2 : **TIILT**, **SLANT**

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can-t *vb* 1 : to beg in a whining manner 2 : to talk hypocritically
can-t *n* 1 : the special idiom of a profession or trade : JARGON 2 : insincere speech; *esp* : insincerely pious words or statements
Cant abbr Canticle of Canticles
can-ta-bile *'kān-tā-bə-lē\ adv or adj* [It] : in a singing manner — used as a direction in music
can-ta-loupe *also can-te-loupe* *'kān-tə-lōp\ n* : MUSK-MELON; *esp* : one with orange flesh and rough skin
can-tan-kerous *'kan-tān-kə-rəs\ adj* : ILL-NATURED, QUARRELSONME — **can-tan-kerously** *adv* — **can-tan-kerousness** *n*
can-ta-ta *'kān-tā-tā\ n* [It] : a choral composition usually sung to instrumental accompaniment
can-teen *'kan-tēn\ n* [F *cantine* bottle case, canteen (store); fr. It *cantina* wine cellar] 1 : a flask for carrying liquids 2 : a place of recreation and entertainment for military personnel 3 : a small cafeteria or counter at which snacks are served
can-ter *'kan-tər\ n* : a horse's 3-beat gait resembling but smoother and slower than a gallop — **canter** *vb*
Can-terbury bell *'kānt-ər-bēr-ē\ n* : any of several plants related to the bluebell that are cultivated for their showy flowers
can-ticle *'kan-tik-əl\ n* : SONG; *esp* : any of several liturgical songs taken from the Bible
Canticle of Canticles *n* : SONG OF SONGS
can-tile-vel *'kan-tēl-ə-vər\ n* : a projecting beam or structure supported only at one end; also : either of a pair of such structures projecting toward each other so that when joined they form a bridge
can-tile-vel *vb* 1 : to support by a cantilever (a ~ed shelf) 2 : to build as a cantilever 3 : to project as a cantilever
can-tile *'kan-tēl\ n* : the upwardly projecting rear part of a saddle
can-to *'kan-tō\ n, pl cantos* [It, fr. L *cantus* song] : one of the major divisions of a long poem
can-ton *'kan-tōn, 'kan-tān\ n* : a small territorial division of a country; *esp* : one of the political divisions of Switzerland — **can-ton-al** *'kan-tōn-əl, kan-tān-əl\ adj*
can-ton-ment *'kan-tōn-mēnt, -tān\ n* : usu. temporary quarters for troops
can-tor *'kan-tōr\ n* 1 : a choir leader 2 : a synagogue official who sings liturgical music and leads the congregation in prayer
can-vas *also can-vass* *'kan-vəs\ n* 1 : a strong cloth formerly much used for making tents and sails 2 : a set of sails 3 : a group of tents 4 : a piece of cloth prepared as a surface to receive oil paint; also : an oil painting 5 : the canvas-covered floor of a boxing or wrestling ring
can-vas-back *'kan-vəs-bak\ n* : a No. American wild duck with red head and gray back
can-vass *also can-vass* *'kan-vəs\ vb* : to go through (a district) or to (persons) to solicit votes or orders for goods or to determine public opinion or sentiment — **can-vasser** *n*
can-vass : an act or instance of canvassing
can-yon *'kan-yōn\ n* : a deep narrow valley with high steep sides
cap *'kap\ n* 1 : a covering for the head *esp*, with a visor and no brim; also : something resembling such a covering 2 : a container holding an explosive charge
3 : an upper limit (as on expenditures)
cap *vb* **capped**; **cap-ping** 1 : to provide or protect with a cap 2 : to form a cap over : **CROWN** 3 : OUTDO, SUR-PASS 4 : CLIMAX
cap abbr 1 capacity 2 capital 3 capitalize; capitalized
CAP abbr Civil Air Patrol
cap-a-ble *'kā-pə-bəl\ adj* : having ability, capacity, or power to do something : ABLE, COMPETENT — **cap-a-bil-i-ty** *'kā-pə-'bili-tē\ n* — **cap-a-bly** *adv*

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